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In Re Application Of:

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Atty. Docket No.: 47097-00057

Examiner: Not Assigned

Art Unit: 3727

Application No.: 09/422,510

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For: Fill-Through-The-Top Package And
Method And Apparatus For Making
The Same

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Attn: Box Non-Fee Amendment, Washington, D.C. 20231, on February 1, 2001.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Attn: Box Non-Fee Amendment

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Third Preliminary Amendment for this application.

The Applicants are other than a small entity.

The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 apply.

The Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. This conditional petition is being made, however, to provide for the possibility that the Applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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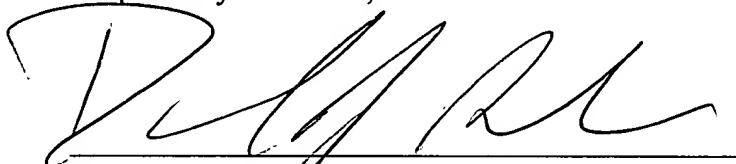
The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims Remaining	Highest No. Paid For	Extra	Small Entity	Large Entity
Total	29	53	0 x	\$ 9 = \$	\$ 18 = \$ 0
Independent	6	9	0 x	\$ 40 = \$	\$ 80 = \$ 0
Multiple Dependent Claim Presented				\$ 135 = \$	\$ 270 = \$ 0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE					\$ 0

There is no additional fee for claims.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 10-0447 (47097-00057). A duplicate copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,



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